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1. Ukhtomski Agricultural Machine Factory in Lyubertsy, near Moscow, was built in 1912 by American engineers and was enlarged and modernized in 1928. The mechanical installations are of American and German origin. The turning lathes and tempering furnaces in the foundry of shop 9 particularly are of German origin. Scattered throughout the factory are also a few old Soviet machines.

2. The factory has 22 large shops and several smaller ones.

- a. Shop 1 is the smithy, in which are about 20 large American-made forges of different sizes: some weighing one ton, some weighing $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, and others still smaller. No forges larger than one ton are to be found here. Large iron rods are forged in the smithy. The small forges are used to cut the rods at a specified length. The smithy is located in a large building, about 250 meters long and 120 meters wide. Approximately 600 people work here, of which 60% are women and, until May 1949, 10% were PWs. These 600 workers are divided into 3 shifts.

- b. Shops 9, 13, and 14 are the foundries, each in a separate building. Shop 9 is the best foundry in the USSR for agricultural machines and has already had the Order of the Red Banner for special performance for 8 months. In shop 9 there are 800 workers divided into 3 shifts. These workers are 70% women and 15% PWs. This shop has two American-made smelting furnaces and five conveyor belts, on which the moulds are carried. Shop 9 produces mostly small parts for agricultural machines, for example: chain links, screws, keys, wing screws. The foundry belongs to the hot section. There is also a cold section for tempering from the tempering furnace, an installation for the purification of slag, and a polishing unit. Document No. 16

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- c. Shop 13 has 600 workers divided into 3 shifts. This shop produces large parts for agricultural machines in the same way that shop 9 produces small parts. Some of the products of shop 13 are wheels, blades, and the larger frames.
 - d. Only 200 workers are employed in shop 14, and these are divided into only 2 shifts. This shop is the oldest and the smallest and produces only hand-made models.
 - e. The individual parts are brought into the mechanical shops on electrical cars by women and girls. These electrical cars come from Germany and were first introduced in the factory in very limited number in 1948.
3. Some of the smaller shops are described below:
- a. Shops 3, 5, 15, and 30 are the mechanical shops in which the parts are finished: planed, milled, drilled. Each shop has its own building. Of these, shop 15 is the largest and employs about 250 workers in 3 shifts.
 - b. Shops 6 and 23 are repair shops.
 - c. In shops 2 and 4 the wood work necessary for the machine parts is done. Shafts and cases for packing are examples of the work of these shops, which together employ about 400 workers.
 - d. Shop 18 is the paint shop, employing about 300 workers.
 - e. Shop 8 houses masons, painters, and plumbers.
4. In individual shops, for example in shop 9, there are special laboratories for testing the materials, especially the durability of the steel, the individual casting moulds, and other parts of the machines. In addition to these smaller laboratories connected to the individual shops, there is a main laboratory with about 40 workers. The testing and surveying of the newly manufactured machines takes place in this main laboratory.
5. A special engineering department undertakes new plans for newly invented models and for the carrying out of improvements.
6. The accounting and bookkeeping departments are in a special administration building. Women are employed here almost exclusively.
7. At the head of each shop is the shop foreman^e, his deputy, and an engineer.
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8. At the head of the entire factory is a factory committee which has shop committees in the individual shops. Each shop has a shop superintendent and a political representative. The shop superintendent is elected by the personnel, whereas the party representative is appointed by the party and is busy with reports and various arrangements.
9. Within the factory grounds is a building in which the PWs, ^{as} well as Soviet civilians and soldiers who were in German PW camps, live. The Soviets have their leave passes and can go out in the evening. The factory as a whole is fenced in and very strictly guarded. The lodging of the PWs can be reached only via a special guard house. The entire factory has its own power plant and is connected to the main Moscow-Lyubertsy rail line by three branch lines.
10. The factory apparently has a secret section which presumably is in shop 14. The PWs do not have access to this shop, and work is generally done here after the work in other shops has ended.
11. During the war, the factory was converted to war production exclusively. Repairs on tanks and trucks were made here; bombs and mines were also in production.

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12. Today, in addition to making agricultural machinery, the factory produces airplane parts as commissioned by various aircraft plants. Manufactured parts are picked up by special rush cases, by airplane.
13. The total number of workers employed in the factory is about 1,000. The average wages of the workers amount to 500-600 rubles per month.
14. The average daily production is 6 large, self-propelled graders with a 10-meter cutting blade, and about 500 cutters of normal type.
15. The factory has a branch at Rostov.

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